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1. IN REPLY TO OUR REQUEST FOR HIS PERSONAL
REACTIONS TO NAC, ALEX ALATAS, CHIEF OF PERSONAL
STAFF OF FOREIGN MINISTER MALIK, WHO ACCOMPANIED
MALIK TO ALGIERS, SAID HE WAS STRUCK BY TWO
IMPORTANT RESPECTS IN WHICH NAC DIFFERED FROM
EARLIER MEETINGS.

2. IN SPITE OF ALL THE PREDICTABLE RHETORIC, HE
DETECTED A STEADY GROWTH OF MODERATION, ESPECIALLY
AS CONCERNED THE WORK OF ECONOMIC COMMITTEES AND
PREPARATION OF ECONOMIC DOCUMENTS. IN ECONOMIC
MATTERS, IF NOT YET IN POLITICAL MATTERS,
THERE SEEMED TO BE A GROWING WILLINGNESS TO
LEAVE POLEMICS ASIDE AND FOCUS ON REAL PROBLEMS
AND SEEK PRACTICAL SOLUTIONS. HE WAS STRUCK
BY FACT THAT THE MODERATE INPUT FROM INDONESIAN
DELEGATION WAS GRATEFULLY RECEIVED BY ECONOMIC
COMMITTEE. HE PHILOSOPHIZED THAT "AS WE
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DEVELOPING NATIONS PROGRESS TOWARDS MORE MATURE

NATIONHOOD, THERE WILL BE MORE CONCERN ABOUT SOLVING PROBLEMS AND LESS ABOUT POLEMICS AND RHETORIC."

3. SECOND NOTABLE PHENOMENON WAS ROLE OF MAVERICKS, LIKE LIBYA, WHO ACCUSED THE SOVIETS OF BEING JUST AS IMPERIALISTIC AS THE AMERICANS AND ATTACKED CASTRO.

4. ALATAS FELT THE GENERAL CHARACTERISTICS OF NAC WERE GRADUALLY CHANGING FOR THE BETTER.
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